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In re Application of

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This decision is in response to applicant's renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.42 filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 26 April 2007.

BACKGROUND

On 16 March 2007, applicant was mailed a decision dismissing applicant's request for status under 37 CFR 1.42. Applicant was afforded two months to file any request for reconsideration.

On 26 April 2007, applicant filed the present renewed petition.

DISCUSSION

37 CFR 1.42 When the Inventor is Dead, states, in part:

"In case of the death of the inventor, the legal representative (executor, administrator, etc.) of the deceased inventor may make the necessary oath or declaration, and apply for and obtain the patent."

Applicant's originally filed declaration was held to be non-compliant as it did not provide the citizenship the deceased inventor. Applicant has presently provided an executed declaration which provide all of the required information for the inventors, deceased inventor and legal representatives and therefore it is appropriate to grant applicant's renewed petition at this time.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant's renewed request for status under 37 CFR 1.42 is **GRANTED**.

This application has an international application filing date of 07 September 2004 and will be given a date of 26 April 2007 under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4).

This application is being returned to the DO/EO/US for processing in accordance with this decision.

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